

ing the passage of an act for the opening and laying out a road therein mentioned;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Worthington, Burgess, and Willson.

Mr. Harper presented a petition of Duncan Mc'Culloch of the city of Baltimore, praying that his name may be changed to Duncan Hugh McCulloch.

Mr. Hollman presented a petition of sundry citizens of Washington county, praying that the Legislature, in their action upon the memorial of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, presented at the present session, will adopt such measures as in their wisdom, will insure to this great work, a speedy and uninterrupted prosecution to the termination of its eastern section at Cumberland;

Which was read.

Mr. Jenkins presented a petition of Sarah Mainster and others, of the city of Baltimore, praying that an act may pass, authorising the Mayor and city Council of Baltimore, to open Caroline street from Little Hampstead street to Union Alley, or to permit the same to remain forever closed;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Jenkins, Harper and Ely;

Also, presented a petition of Godfrey Meyer, and others, of the city of Baltimore, complaining that they are aggrieved by the act of Assembly, which restricts the practice of medicine to licensed graduates, and praying that the said act may be repealed;

Which was read and referred to the committee already appointed on that subject.

The Speaker laid before the house, a letter from the Hon. C. F. Mercer, President of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company;

Which was read and is as follows:

FEBRUARY, 14th, 1833.

*The Honorable The Speaker*

*of the House of Delegates of Maryland--*

SIR—

The President and Directors of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal Company, penetrated with a deep sense of the importance of the great public enterprise committed to their care, have instructed me, most respectfully, to request, of your honorable house, to be heard, at its bar, in explanation of the progress, condition and prospects of the Chesapeake and Ohio Canal, and of the principles on which it has been conducted; with a view to the vindication of the latter, and to the support of the memorial, which they